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EPA makes the Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) and other related information available to the public both electronically and in hard copy. Every year, EPA enhances its databases to make the data easier to access and search and expands its outreach activities to include new potential users of the data. In May 2002, EPA released a number of enhancements to the TRI Explorer that greatly increased the ability of users to access TRI data (<http://www.epa.gov/triexplorer/whatsnew.htm>). In addition to the TRI Explorer, the TRI data are available in a wide variety of computer and hard copy formats to

meet most user's needs. TRI publications can be obtained from EPA. TRI data can also be accessed online at EPA's web site, <http://www.epa.gov/tri/tridata/tri00/index.htm>.

State officials also receive TRI reports from facilities in their jurisdiction, and many states publish reports highlighting state and local trends. Tables D-1 through D-3 highlight the products and services available from the above mentioned resources as well as several others.

TRI Document Distribution (TRI-DOCS)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Attn: TRI Documents
MC 2844T (EPA West, 5th Floor)
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20460
(202) 564-9554
tridocs@epa.gov

TRI User Support Service (TRI-US)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Attn: TRI-User Support
MC 2844T (EPA West, 5th Floor)
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20460
(202) 566-0250
tri.us@epa.gov

U.S. EPA RCRA, Superfund & EPCRA Call Center

(800) 424-9346
(703) 412-9810
TDD (800) 553-7672
TDD (703) 412-3323
<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hotline>

U.S. EPA TRI Website

<http://www.epa.gov/tri>
<http://www.epa.gov/tri/tridata/tri00/index.htm>



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Table D-1: Toxics Release Inventory Products

Data Product	Supplier	Order Information
2000 TRI Public Data Release Report The 2000 TRI Public Data Release Report is the TRI annual report that provides a general overview of the TRI data and information on trends. The State Fact Sheets are released with the Public Data Release Report and provide a brief summary of the TRI data by State. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ 2000 TRI Executive Summary (reference EPA 260-S-02-001) ♦ 2000 TRI Public Data Release Report (reference EPA 260-R-02-003) ♦ 2000 State Fact Sheets Report (reference EPA 260-F-02-004) 	TRI Document Distribution (TRI-DOCS) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Attn: TRI Documents MC 2844T (EPA West, 5th Floor) 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20460 (202) 564-9554 tridocs@epa.gov	Free while supplies last.
	These documents can be viewed, printed, or downloaded from the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/tri/tridata/tri00/pdr/index.htm	
2000 State Data Files in Dbase format	U.S. EPA Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Website	Download from the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/triinter/tridata/tri00/data/index.htm
Chemicals in Your Community (reference EPA 550-K-99-001) This pamphlet summarizes the information that the public can obtain under EPCRA and CAA, how to obtain such information, other information that may also be useful, and how to use these various sources of information to build a snapshot of chemicals stored and released in a community.	U.S. EPA's National Service Center for Environmental Publications (NSCEP) (800) 490-9198 (513) 489-8190 FAX: (513) 489-8695 Order on the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/ncepihom	Free
Chemical Fact Sheets EPA is continuing to develop Chemical Fact Sheets as part of its effort to provide the public with information on chemicals. Two types of summaries are available for each chemical. One is a two-page document providing a non-technical summary of chemical information. The other is a longer, referenced presentation of information that provides the basis for statements included in the shorter summary.	TSCA Assistance Information Services Hotline (202) 554-1404	Free
	The Chemical Fact Sheets can be downloaded from the Internet at http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/chemfact/	



Table D-2: Toxics Release Assistance Services

Assistance Service	Contact Information
<p>TRI User Support Service (TRI-US)</p> <p>The TRI-US Service provides general information about the TRI and support for access to any of the data formats. TRI specialists can help determine the data product best suited for an individual user's needs.</p>	<p>TRI User Support Service (TRI-US)</p> <p>U.S. EPA Attn: TRI-USer Support MC 2844T (EPA West, 5th Floor) 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20460 (202) 260-1531 tri.us@epa.gov</p>
<p>U.S. EPA RCRA, Superfund & EPCRA Call Center</p> <p>U.S. EPA's RCRA, Superfund & EPCRA Call Center provides regulatory, policy, and technical assistance to the regulated community, federal agencies, local and state governments, the public, and other interested parties in response to questions related to RCRA, Superfund & EPCRA. For EPCRA, the Call Center provides information on the availability of documents related to EPCRA and copies of selected EPCRA documents on a limited basis. For more information about the Call Center, visit their Internet Web site at http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hotline</p>	<p>U.S. EPA RCRA, Superfund & EPCRA Call Center</p> <p>(800) 424-9346 (703) 412-9810 TDD: (800) 553-7672 TDD: (703) 412-3323</p>



Table D-3: Toxics Release On-line Services

On-line Service	Web Address/Contact Information
<p>U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">♦ EPA Home Page♦ Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) Home Page♦ TRI Explorer—EPA created the TRI Explorer to provide access to TRI data that is both easy to understand and flexible to use. The TRI Explorer will generate on- and off-site release reports for facilities, chemicals, geographic areas, or industry type (SIC code) at the county, state, and national level.♦ TRI 2000 Data Release Page—provides access to information relating to the 2000 TRI data release. It includes press materials, data summary information, questions and answers, and other information about 2000 TRI data.♦ EPA Envirofacts—provides access to TRI data. Provides user defined searches of the TRI database by facility name, geographic location, SIC Code, or chemical name and produces reports on the facilities and maps their locations. A variety of user specified parameters let users point and click to customize their searches.	<p>http://www.epa.gov</p> <p>http://www.epa.gov/tri/</p> <p>http://www.epa.gov/triexplorer/</p> <p>http://www.epa.gov/tri/tridata/tri00</p> <p>http://www.epa.gov/enviro/html/toxic_releases.html</p>
<p>TOXNET®, the National Library of Medicine's (NLM) Toxicology Data Network, provides free access to TRI data. Users can search by chemical or other name, chemical name fragment, or Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number. Also searchable are facility or parent company name, state, city, county, or zip code. Search results can be limited to releases greater than a specified number of pounds, and individual releases can be summed together to display a total amount.</p>	<p>http://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/</p>
<p>Right-to-Know Network (RTK Net) is operated by two nonprofit organizations (OMB Watch and the Center for Public Data Access). RTK Net provides free access to TRI data and enables users to search by geographic area, facility, industry, parent company, or off-site waste transfer.</p>	<p>http://rtknet.org/</p>
<p>EPA's Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) is an electronic database containing information on human health effects that may result from exposure to various chemicals in the environment. IRIS was initially developed for EPA staff in response to a growing demand for consistent information on chemical substances for use in risk assessments, decision-making and regulatory activities. The information in IRIS is intended for those without extensive training in toxicology, but with some knowledge of health sciences.</p>	<p>http://www.epa.gov/iris</p>